

REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY

MOTION NO. 98-22

**Contract Award for the Lease of Fleet Vehicles
BACKGROUND AND COMMENTS**

Meeting:	Date:	Agenda Item:	Staff Contact:	Phone:
Finance Committee	4/2/98	Fleet Vehicles	Jan Hendrickson	689-3148
Executive Committee	4/3/98		John Goforth	689-4935

ACTION:

A motion of the Executive Committee of the Regional Transit Authority for the Pierce, King and Snohomish Counties region authorizing the Executive Director to execute a contract for the lease of fleet vehicles with Northwest Fleet Lease Inc., for a three year term in the amount of \$305,000.

BACKGROUND:

Currently, the RTA is renting vehicles through Enterprise Rental Cars on a monthly basis. With the increase in staff size, ongoing field visits and public meetings, and the high cost of renting, we are recommending the leasing of 12 cars and 4 vans secured by a competitive formal bidding process. We have determined that leasing is preferable to purchasing because present cost analysis is lower for leasing than purchasing, leasing programs include service and maintenance, and leasing allows more flexibility in determining future fleet size and type.

FUNDING:

A portion is included in the 1998 operating budget and the remainder will be allocated to budget years 1999, 2000, and 2001.

CONSEQUENCES OF DELAY:

The option to purchase has been evaluated and presented to the Finance Committee. If the RTA were to maintain its existing rental contract it would incur an additional \$5,200 per month than if we were to lease.

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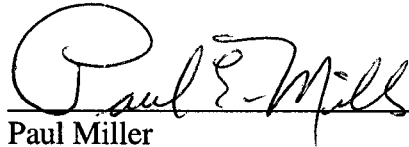
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Motion:


It is hereby moved by the Executive Committee of the Regional Transit Authority that the Executive Director be authorized to execute a contract for the lease of fleet vehicles with Northwest Fleet Lease Inc., for a three-year term in the amount of \$305,000.

Approved by the Executive Committee of the Regional Transit Authority for the Pierce, King, and Snohomish Counties region at a regular meeting thereof on the 3rd day of April, 1998.



Paul Miller
Board Vice-Chair

ATTEST:



Marcia Walker
Board Administrator